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SUBJECT: VIEWS OF FONMIN VAN DER STOEL ON GROUP  
OF FIVE FORUM

1. SUMMARY: FONMIN VAN DER STOEL HAS EXPRESSED GON  
UNHAPPINESS TO ME OVER APPARENT PREFERENCE OF USG FOR  
DISCUSSION OF MAJOR INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL ISSUES IN  
"GROUP OF 5" FORUM RATHER THAN G-10. END SUMMARY.

2. WHEN FONMIN VAN DER STOEL CALLED ME IN ON OCT 9, FIRST  
ITEM ON HIS AGENDA WAS DUTCH UNHAPPINESS OVER RECENT TENDENCY  
FOR USG TO UTILIZE "GROUP OF 5" FORUM FOR DISCUSSION OF MAJOR  
INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ISSUES. OTHER MAIN TOPICS (ALLEGED  
CIA INVOLVEMENT IN CHILE AND PLO ISSUE IN UNGA) HAVE BEEN  
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3. GON, SAID VAN DER STOEL, IS "UNHAPPY" ABOUT EMERGING SYSTEM WHEREBY US IS CULTIVATING GROUP OF 5 (G-5). VAN DER STOEL REJECTED ARGUMENT THAT SUCH CONSULTATIONS, BY VIRTUE OF INCLUDING THREE EC MEMBERS, ARE TANTAMOUNT TO CONSULTATIONS WITH EC-9 POINTING TO FACT THAT THREE EUROPEAN G-5 MEMBERS ARE NOT ENTITLED TO SPEAK FOR NINE. DUTCH CONSIDER IT MORE THAN EVER ESSENTIAL FOR USG AND GON TO INTENSIFY THEIR RELATIONSHIP ON SUCH TOPICS AS ENERGY AND MONETARY/FINANCIAL PROBLEMS BUT THIS RELATIONSHIP IS ABORTED BY USE OF G-5 FORUM. VAN DER STOEL POINTED TO STRONG SUPPORT GIVEN BY GON TO RECENT US ISSUES AS ECG AND EXPRESSED VIEW THAT GON HAS MUCH TO CONTRIBUTE TO DC COUNTRY DISCUSSIONS ON MATTERS OF THIS NATURE. HE ARGUED STRONGLY FOR REVITALIZATION OF G-10 WHICH ENCOMPASSES MOST IMPORTANT NATIONS IN DEVELOPED WORLD. BY CONTRAST HE SAID G-5 DOES NOT PROPERLY TAKE INTO ACCOUNT EXISTENCE OF THE EUROPEAN COMMON MARKET. I RESPONDED THAT I WOULD PROMPTLY AND FULLY TRANSMIT FONMIN'S VIEWS TO WASHINGTON. I NOTED THAT BY COINCIDENCE DUTCH CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR (AND BIS PRESIDENT) JELLE ZIJLSTRA HAD MADE ESSENTIALLY PARALLEL PITCH TO ME TWO DAYS EARLIER, ARGUING THAT REACTIVATION F G-10 COULD BE ENORMOUSLY USEFUL AT THIS TIME WHEN CLOSEST COOPERATION AMONG INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS IS URGENTLY NEEDED AT ALL LEVELS OF ACTIVITY. I ADDED THAT I PLANNED TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF BRINGING ZIJLSTRA TOGETHER WITH PRESIDENTIAL ADVISOR SIEDMAN ON HIS NEXT VISIT TO WASHINGTON.

4. IN CONCLUDING THIS PORTION OF THE DISCUSSION VAN DER STOEL VOLUNTEERED HOPE THAT FUTURE MEETINGS OF KIND CONDUCTED IN BRUSSELS OCT 9 BY AMBASSADOR EBERLE MIGHT TAKE PLACE ALSO IN NETHERLANDS.  
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